REMARKS

Claims 1-8 are all the claims pending in the present application. In summary, the Examiner maintains the previous rejections of the pending claims. Specifically, claims 1-6 and 8 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Greer et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,993,722). Claim 7 remains rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Greer in view of Lambrecht et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,754,801).

§ 102(e) Rejections (Greer) - Claims 1-6 and 8

The Examiner maintains the previous rejections of claims 1-6 and 8 and adds a few new arguments in the *Response to Arguments* section of the present Office Action. Applicant traverses these rejections at least based on the following reasons.

With respect to independent claim 1, Applicant previously argued that Greer does not disclose or suggest at least, "wherein the output mode of the monitor determines whether input commands from the key input unit will be one of canceled and executed." *See pages 6-7 of Amendment dated May 14, 2007.* In response, the Examiner alleges:

> In response to the Applicant's arguments, Greer discloses at col.
> 12, lines 26-50, a context manager that mimics a Microsoft®
> windows environment for foreground and background
> applications, the application that is currently displayed (output
> mode) determines if the input matches the currently displayed
> application, and execute key input commands if there is a match.
> The selection of different applications (output modes) is done via a
> menu key.

In response, Applicant submits that the application that is being displayed on a monitor in a window does not correspond to the claimed output mode of the monitor. An <u>output mode</u> of the monitor can be, for example, the status of the monitor. The application that is being displayed on a monitor has nothing to do with a mode of the monitor. Therefore, since Greer does not disclose an "output mode" of a monitor, Applicant submits that Greer does not satisfy

each and every limitation of claim 1. At least based on the previously submitted arguments as

well as the argument above, Applicant submits that Greer does not anticipate claim 1.

With respect to claim 2, Applicant previously argued that Greer does not disclose or

suggest at least, "wherein the step (c) comprises, if the output mode of the monitor is not a PC

mode, canceling input commands from the key input unit," as recited in amended claim 2. *See*

arguments on page 7 of May 14th Amendment. In response, the Examiner alleges:

> In response to the Applicant's arguments, Greer discloses at col.
> 12, lines 26-50, a context manager that mimics a Microsoft®
> windows environment for foreground and background
> applications, the application that is currently displayed (output
> mode) determines if the key input matches the currently displayed
> application, execute key input commands if there is a match. The
> selection of different applications (output modes) is done via a
> menu key. Further, Fig. 2B and Fig. 6 illustrates mode for
> selecting a PC mode (user presses the menu key to select "PC
> mode") and deselecting a PC mode (user presses another menu key
> to select a different mode).

In response, Applicant submits that claim 3 is patentable at least based on reasons similar

to those set forth above with respect to claim 1. Further, if we assume, *arguendo*, that the

Examiner believes that the component shown in Fig. 6 corresponds to the claimed key input unit,

clearly there is no teaching or suggestion of the feature, "if the output mode of the monitor is not

a PC mode, canceling input commands from the key input unit." That is, the corresponding text

to Fig. 6 describes that different modes can be entered using the input device of Fig. 6, and even

in modes that do not include the PC mode, input commands from the input device of Fig. 6 are

still executed. Therefore, clearly Greer does not satisfy the features of claim 2. At least based

on the previously submitted arguments as well as those above, Applicant submits that Greer does

not anticipate claim 2.

Applicant submits that claim 3 is patentable at least based on reasons similar to those set

forth above with respect to claims 1 and 2.

Applicant submits that dependent claims 4-6 and 8 are patentable at least by virtue of their respective dependencies from independent claims 1 and 2.

§ 103(a) Rejection (Greer/Lambrecht) - Claim 7

Applicant submits that dependent claim 7 is patentable at least by virtue of its indirect dependency from independent claim 1. Lambrecht does not make up for the deficiencies of Greer.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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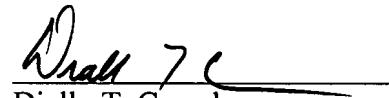
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